

REMARKS

Claims 7, 8, 14, and 16 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Independent claim 1 is amended to include the limitations of allowable dependent claim 7, and therefore, independent claim 1 is in allowable form.

Claims 2-5 and 9 depend from allowable independent claim 1, and therefore, the dependent claims are allowable for depending from an allowable independent claim.

Please note, withdrawn claims 2-4 should now be reconsidered as pending claims for depending from an allowable generic claim.

Allowable dependent claim 14 is rewritten as new independent claim 19 which is in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, new independent claim 19 is allowable.

Claims 20-23 depend from allowable independent claim 19, and therefore, the dependent claims are allowable for depending from an allowable independent claim.


Allowable dependent claim 16 is rewritten as new independent claim 24 which is in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, new independent claim 24 is allowable.

Claims 25-28 depend from allowable independent claim 24, and therefore, the dependent claims are allowable for depending from an allowable independent claim.

This application is now believed to be in immediate condition for allowance, and action to that end is respectfully requested. If the Examiner's next anticipated action is to be anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone interview prior to issuance of any such subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

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